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SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REDIRECTING USERS HAVING TRANSPARENT COMPUTER ACCESS TO A NETWORK USING A GATEWAY DEVICE HAVING REDIRECTION CAPABILITY

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Examiner Geckil:

Commissioner for Patents

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2002, please amend as follows:

In The Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-16.

Kindly add Claims 24 - 34.

(New) A method for redirecting an original destination address access

request to a redirected destination address, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, at a gateway device, all original destination address access requests originating from a computer;

determining, at the gateway device, which of the original destination address requests require redirection;

storing the original destination address if redirection is required;

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